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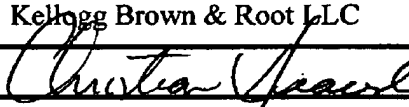
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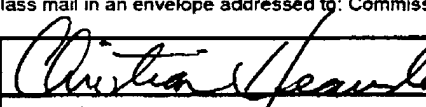
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This reply is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated October 30, 2007. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.